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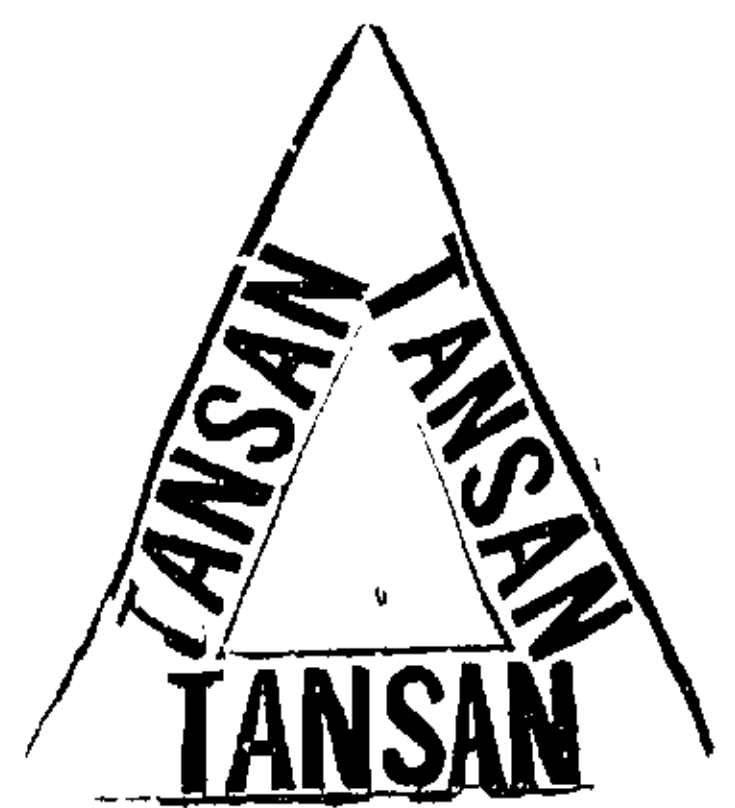
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Hongkong, October 18, 1906.

BIRTH.

HEERMANN.—On November 9th, at

Smith's Villa West, Magazine Gap, the

wife of P. E. HEERMANN, of a Son.

MARRIAGE.

PEARSON-ABRAHAM.—At the St. John's

Cathedral, Hongkong, on Saturday, 10th

November, ELIZABETH, daughter of the

late H. E. Abraham, Esq., Hongkong, to

WILLIAM GIBSON, youngest son of the late

Gilbert Pearson, Esq., of Hamilton,

Lancashire, Scotland.

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

Miscellaneous.

9 p.m.—At Fresso Fete at the Roman

Catholic Cathedral.

MEMOS. FOR MONDAY.

Miscellaneous.

Goods per Rhennia undelivered after

this date subject to rent.

Goods per Aridion Apar undelivered

after 4 p.m. on this date will be landed.

General Memoranda.

Tuesday, November 13.—

Goods per Budon undelivered after

this date subject to rent.

Wednesday, November 14.—

11 a.m.—Auction of 20 Bala Row S.H.K.

at Messrs Butterfield & Swire's

Godowns, West Point.

Friday, November 16.—

Goods per Formosa not cleared after 4 p.m.

on this date subject to rent.

Saturday, November 17.—

11 a.m.—Auction of 142 Pales Printing

Paper, at the Hongkong and Kowloon

Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., Godown

No. 17, Kowloon.

The China Mail

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 1906.

HONOURING THE EMPIRE

KIPING has sacrificed in the

sentiments entertained by the average

citizen towards the men who volun-

tarily enter the profession upon which

his safety depends. It is notorious

that at home soldiers or sailors are

frequently refused admission to places

of entertainment simply because they

are in uniform. A similar discrimina-

tion against United States blue-jackets

at Portland, Maine, has been arousing

much indignation in America and the

indelible Mr. Roosevelt, with

characteristic enthusiasm and prompt-

ness, has championed their cause. It

is stated that a number of blue-jackets,

who were perfectly sober and orderly,

were "clubbed and kicked and knocked

down by the (civilian) police." Further,

the blue-jackets were sold tickets

to enter a local skating rink, skates

were refused them on the ground that

they were in uniform. This illustrates

the truth of the frequently heard

statement that nothing is so snobbish

as a democracy. If instead of "Jacks"

the would-be skaters had been Admirals

the proprietor of the Portland rink

would have no doubt been willing to

turn all the civilian visitors out to

afford them a clear skating surface.

We may congratulate ourselves that in

Hongkong we are not to be accused of

failing to honour the uniform. In fact

the sailors and soldiers have many

special privileges accorded them. This

is only as it should be. Whatever the

Peace Society may claim to the con-

trary the profession of arms is a most

noble one and the men who volunteer

to take all the risks and hardships

incidental to life in either the army or

the navy are deserving of every honour.

They give the best years of their lives

to the service of their country and it

is solely because of them that the re-

mainder of the community can continue

to go about its usual avocations with

every assurance of safety. Too often it

happens that when their service has

expired they are neglected by their

ungrateful country and eke out a

misérable existence as best they may.

Every decent-minded man who has

given the matter any thought must

recognise that it is a duty to show the

utmost respect for the national defen-

ders. There can be no reason why the

ordinary drab civilian who, as an Ameri-

can contemporary happily puts it, depends

his life on endeavouring to despoil his

neighbour in cut-throat competition

should look with contempt upon the

men who are prepared when necessary

to sacrifice their lives for the weal of

their country. It has been suggested

that the dislike which is manifested in

many quarters for the uniform is merely

a demonstration of the operation of a

twinges of conscience. Some men may

have the unpalatable fact borne in upon

them, when they see a uniform, that

they are neglecting their elemental

duty by paying men to fight for them

when they ought themselves to be

trained and qualified to undertake the

task. But whatever the cause of the

disfavour in which the uniform is

sometimes held it should be sharply

checked whenever a public exhibition

of it is made.

Attention has not infrequently been

directed to the fact that in the Legis-

lative Council of a Crown Colony the

official members usually vote en bloc

for any proposal favoured by the

Government. That is to say by the

Governor, because that is what it really

amounts to. The official members are

in an extremely unpleasant position.

The words of Robert Lowe, Viscount

Sherbrooke, are worth remembering in

this connection. "I speak with some

degree of certainty upon the subject,"

he said "because I have had the hon-

our of filling that office myself, and of

resigning it because I found it impos-

sible, whatever I did, to fill it to the

satisfaction of my own conscience and

at the same time to the satisfaction

of others. For instance, I voted with

the Government, I was in danger of

being reproached, as I have been on

one or two occasions, by representative

members, as a mere tool of the Govern-

ment and not, according to the theory

of the Constitution for the

Colony at large; and if I took the

opposite course and voted with the

Opposition, as I did upon most ques-

tions,

DEATH OF W. E. CRAIG.

Verdict of Suicide.

An inquiry was held, at the Magistrate's Court, this morning, regarding the death of William E. Craig, who died under circumstances pointing to suicide on the 5th inst., at "Wattle," Babbington Path.

Mr. F. A. Hazland presided, and the following jurors were sworn: Messrs. Evans, F. Austin and P. Buckle.

Dr. Henbury, medical officer in charge of the Public Mortuary, deposed that he examined the body of the deceased on November 6th. The cause of death was hemorrhage in the arteries of the neck, the result of a wound in the throat. The wound might have been inflicted by a razor.

Dr. Forsyth deposed that he knew the deceased, who was agent for the New Zealand Insurance Co. Witness had known deceased for nearly three years and was his medical practitioner until the date of his death. Deceased had been ill since he came to the Colony. On the day about three days before he died, witness called on him. He said he had no other symptoms at all and his only anxiety was whether he would be well enough to his marriage on Wednesday. He said "I am not well, but I am not ill, you give me something to back me up for my marriage."

Witness gave deceased some simple medicine to take. Witness went to Mr. Holroyd's house in reply to a message about 5 o'clock and found deceased had taken a razor in his throat.

Elizabeth Williams, sister of the deceased, who had known him for 15 or 16 years and became engaged to him about three years ago. Witness accompanied him to the funeral on Monday last.

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SPORTING.

Cricket.

HONGKONG UNITED SERVICES.

The annual match—Hongkong United Services—commenced yesterday at the Cricket ground. The 8 vices batted first, being dismissed for 128 runs, of which Lieut. Lucy and Benbow (21) and Major Poley (34) scored best. O. H. Mackay was the most successful bowler and finished on the innings with seven wickets for 60 runs, an average of 8.5.

The Hongkong Club opened well with Pearce and Ponsonby, but after the latter's dismissal a "let" set in. T. E. Pearce being the only player to score at all frequently. He compiled a good 6 before being caught by Bruce. When stumps were down for the day the score was seven wickets for 101 runs, and another 23 runs were added before the last wicket fell.

The United Services opened their second innings with Lang and Capt. Smith. Runs came slowly, Mackay and Bird bowling. The latter closed his innings when 21 runs had been scored, of which Ling made 9.

Woodward partnered Smith and gave a chance to Ponsonby at silly leg of Bird before he scored. Ponsonby made a good effort but failed to get to the ball in time. Ponsonby missed an easy chance shortly after ward. Smith hit one over mid-on and the ball fell just behind Ponsonby, who tried to catch it with one hand, and failed. Smith was batting vigorously, but was lucky in being left off, while Woodward was not at all comfortable. The pair added 50 runs to the score before Woodward was out, caught by Pearce in the deep field. Next ball Smith was out, caught at the wicket by H. Hancock.

Lieut. Benbow and Lucy were now in and by steady batting the score was carried to 100. The feeling was weak, especially the ground was. Benbow was the next out, caught by Bird, off Mackay, an easy catch. T. Hope joined Lucy but two deliveries later Lucy was caught by Bird, low down on the ground. Major Poley, who was in next, played a fine cricket, his innings being most. At 140 Hope was caught by Ponsonby and Stanger. Deceased stayed to dinner and left afterwards. During the evening arrangements were being made for the wedding which was to take place on the 7th. Deceased did not complain about his health the day. Next day (Sunday) deceased came to "Wattle" about 11 a.m. and remained until 5 p.m. Deceased complained of having influenza. He called again on Monday at about noon and remained to dinner. It was then that he complained of being unwell. Deceased did not say that he was very unwell but that "He was pretty bad and had not been able to do anything at the office that morning."

After dinner deceased went to his bed room and witness remained with him in the room until 4.30 o'clock. Deceased, during that time, made no further complaint other than that he was not feeling well. Deceased seemed to be worried over not being well when witness first saw him. Witness went out to tea at 4.30, leaving deceased in his bed room and he returned to the bedroom at 5 o'clock and found deceased was not there. She then went into the adjoining bathroom and found deceased lying on the floor dead.

Police Sergeant Gardner deposed that at about 5 p.m. he was called to Mr. Holroyd's house. Witness went to the bathroom and found deceased lying on the floor with his throat cut. Close to deceased's right hand witness found the razor produced.

E. F. Auct, assistant at Jardine Matheson and Co.'s, stated that he had known deceased, who was a friend of his, for about three years. Witness was going to act as best man at deceased's marriage. Deceased came to stay with witness on Saturday after Miss Williams arrived. On Sunday deceased went to see Dr. Stedman and said that the doctor had given him a prescription but said nothing serious was the matter. Witness did not remember saying that deceased said he was suffering from fish poisoning. On Sunday night deceased still complained of feeling "pretty bad" and ordered the boy to get him a hot bath. This was unusual. Witness and deceased had breakfast together on Monday and he then complained that he had never felt so bad in all his life as he did then and during the night. They came down in the Peak Tram together and walked to Lee House Street discussing various arrangements for the wedding. Witness did not see deceased again.

P. H. Holroyd, assistant in Reiss and Co., stated that he had known deceased since his arrival in the Colony. Deceased worked in the same establishment and lived with witness. Deceased complained of being unwell about a fortnight before his death. He complained of headaches and thought he had fever. On Sunday deceased said he felt worse. On Monday deceased said he had a bad night, and about 11 o'clock that morning deceased came into witness's office and said he could not do his work, he could not sign his name. Deceased went to see Dr. Stedman, the firm's doctor, and when he came back said that the doctor did not seem to know what was the matter but that his liver was bad. Witness called deceased and told him that he was a man who knew nothing of sickness and exaggerated it.

His worship, in reviewing the evidence, said there could be no doubt that deceased took his own life. The only question was as to the state of the deceased's mind. The jury returned a verdict of death from suicide while temporarily insane.

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FOOTBALL.

ELEVEN A SIDE COMPETITION.

In the Lusitano Football Club's eleven a side competition on 7th inst., Rosa's team (B) met Victor's team (D) and the former won by 3 goals to nil.

Ribeiro's team (A) met Barros's team (E) on the 8th inst. and "A" team won by 2 goals to nil.

The score now stands:—

Gols.

	P.	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.	Pts.
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Barros (E)	1	0	1	0	0	0	2
Britto (C)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

YACHTING.

ROYAL HONGKONG CLUB.

To-day the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club opened the sailing season by holding the usual ladies' race. The various yachts assembled at Murray Pier at 2.30 and cruised to Kowloon Pier, where the race started, the first gun being fired at 3 p.m. and the second at 3.5 p.m. The course was round a mark at Channel Rocks, and the following boats started: Alannah (Mrs. Hett), Bonito (Miss Vernon), Colleen (Mrs. Pollock), Diana (Miss Shelton Hooper), Kathleen (Mrs. Watkins), Maudie (Miss Berkeley), Min (Mrs. Hastings), Sprite, (Mrs. Donald), Yvonne (Miss Marjorie Berkeley).

To-morrow the first Club Race will be held over a 10 mile course from Police Pier to Channel Rocks (port), Out Rocks Buoy (port) Channel Rocks (port) Out Rocks Buoy (port) Moyer's East Buoy (starboard) and home.

The first Gun for the Championship Class will be fired at 10.55 a.m. and the second gun at 11.00 a.m. Starting guns for One Design Class will be fired at 11.5 and 11.10 a.m. First boat must cross the winning line by 3.30 p.m. or the race will not start and will be re-sailed.

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THE CORINTHIAN YACHT CLUB.

The Corinthian Yacht Club will open their season's racing on November 25, with a race for the one design boats and one for the cruiser class. The opening cruise will take place on November 18, leaving the Club house at 11 a.m. The cruiser "May" has been placed at the disposal of the Commodore as flagship and a launch will also be provided for members and their friends, on board of which will be obtainable. During the day last year's prizes—the One-Design and Cruiser championships—will be presented to the winners and a number of short races will be held, as usual.

The usual Club races for both One-Design and the Cruiser class will be held on the following dates:—November 25; December 2, 11 and 31; January 13 and 27; February 3 and 17; March 3 and 17; and April 7 and 14.

In addition, the Commodore's Cup will be held for January 6 and the Vice-Commodore's Cup on February 10. These will be handicap races in which both classes will compete.

Following the lead of the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club the times for starting and finishing the Club races have been altered as follows:—Preparatory gun for handicap class, 10.25 a.m. for One-Design boats, preparatory gun, 10.40; starting gun, 10.45. All races must be finished before 4 p.m. in December and January and before 4.30 during the other months.

The following are the handicaps which have been allotted to the handicap class and these will remain unaltered for at least the first three races, after which they will be subject to revision:—

Sprite (late Eros), Alannah and La Cigale, scratch; Chanticleer and Annie 25 seconds each; Marion, May and Dart, 35 seconds each; Thetis and Tona 50 seconds each per mile.

At a meeting of the Club held recently it was decided to raise the subscription to \$10 per annum and this is now due. Mr. A. McKinley, the new treasurer will be glad to receive subscriptions from members.

MR. HOUGHTON'S DEATH.

Another Supposed Case of Suicide.

A suicidal case appears to be spreading over the Colony. As was suspected from the first when the body of the late Mr. R. Houghton was found in his bedroom yesterday there is strong evidence that the deceased took his own life. From the evidence that can be so far gathered it is concluded that the deceased took poison, a bottle which is supposed to have contained some poison was found, having been found alongside of his bed, empty.

Deceased is known to have been considerably worried about business matters, which were not very prosperous for some time, and this is believed to have been the cause for his self destruction.

This case makes the fourth suicide amongst Europeans in the Colony within the last week or so.

AMONG NEWS.

(From Our Correspondent.)

AMONG, November 5.

For more than a week the Amoy harbour has been unusually gay with flying pennons and national flags streaming in the strong north easter that has been blowing with unusual force. First of all there steamed in slowly and majestically a large Japanese cruiser to be ready for the birthday of His Majesty the Emperor of Japan, which as usual was to be celebrated with all the honours. They there swiftly jibed in like many sea serpents six British destroyers, and four of them anchored abreast in the very centre of the harbour, whilst the remaining two anchored alongside of each other at the inner entrance. These ships, with their boats and launches constantly circling about, have broken into the deadly dullness of the place.

On Saturday the Emperor's birthday was celebrated with royal honours. From early morning loud sounding crackers and roaring guns reminded the inhabitants that the Japanese were determined to let them know that their monarch had come into the country of nations and was going to get into the front place amongst them. In the afternoon a great reception was held at the Consulate and a large crowd of the people on the Island as well as officers from the various ships thronged the verandahs or wandered about the grounds, which were beautifully decorated. To amuse the guests before darkness came upon the scene a company of acrobats performed some really clever tricks. One dancing girl also appeared upon the stage to perform the national dance.

At seven o'clock the guests thronged round the supper tables, which were loaded with good things. Everything went smoothly and pleasantly, as the Japanese with their usual administrative ability had provided for every contingency.

A VIRGINIA has divorced his wife and employed her as his cook. This lady is to be congratulated upon being entirely independent.

LAME BACK.

THIS ailment is usually caused by rheumatism of the muscles and may be cured by applying Chamberlain's Pain Balm two or three times a day and rubbing the parts vigorously at each application. If this does not afford relief, bind on a piece of flannel slightly dampened with Pain Balm and quick relief is almost sure to follow. For sale by all chemists and storekeepers.

A WORD TO TRAVELLERS.

THE excitement incident to travelling and change of food and water often brings on diarrhoea, and for this reason one should leave home without a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. Sold by all chemists and storekeepers.

NO NEWS OF THE "AN PING."

Two Days overdue.

Notwithstanding the report that the China Merchants' steamer "An Ping" had arrived in the harbour yesterday, and even that His Excellency Chou Fu had landed there are still no tidings of the overdue steamer.

The mistake, in the first instance, was made by the Signal Station, where the "An Ping" was signalled as having been sighted upwards of an hour before we went to press yesterday morning, and although the signal remained hoisted until 3 o'clock, when it was lowered, there is still no sign of the steamer. The mistake was probably made by taking another of the China Merchants' steamers for the "An Ping," for which the signal man had been on the lookout for some hours previously.

The China Merchants' Office is unable to furnish any information about the steamer, other than that she is overdue. They do not consider it likely, as rumoured, that the vessel with the new Viceroy on board has proceeded straight to Canton. Some anxiety as to the steamer's safety is felt locally as it is known that very bad weather has been experienced in the north and news of her is hourly expected. The local Chinese, who had made arrangements for the Viceroy's reception, appear to have for the present abandoned their efforts in despair.

The Chinese gunboats, however, are still in the harbour and the officials commanding them would certainly have word if the Viceroy had arrived at Canton.

It is probable that the "An Ping" is somewhere along the coast.

MISSIONARIES AND CONVERTS.

It is generally known that recently the Rev. Dr. T. Richard went to Peking to consult with the Chinese Government, or representatives thereof, as to a modus vivendi whereby the difficulties which have surrounded the missionary problem in China may be lessened, and the recurrent outbreaks prevented. I believe that the Doctor has recently returned to Shanghai, without accomplishing anything very satisfactory. The officials seem to be uncertain of their own mind, and unwilling to commit themselves to any definite policy. Consultations there have been, but little more. Probably the Peking Mandarins were more willing to allow a difficult problem "to remain over" than to set about formulating a definite course of action. Meanwhile, the circular published in the CHINA MAIL on Wednesday evening, shows that the British Minister in Peking has not been idle, and though somewhat belated, has now issued his instructions to the several Consuls under his jurisdiction, which presumably will, in a timely, advise the various missionaries of the conclusions arrived at. In a word the missionaries are advised that they are not invested with authority to personally approach the Chinese magistrates, in order to advise or demand that the provisions of the 8th Article of the Tientsin Treaty shall be carried out. Two exceptions apparently are allowed. Should a missionary be robbed of his personal property, he may appeal to a magistrate for the recovery thereof; should native converts be in danger of their lives, the same privilege may be allowed. In all other cases, an appeal for assistance to relieve native Christians from ordinary persecution, at the hands of their neighbours, must first of all be placed in the hands of the British Consul. It is evident that this decision might bear heavily at times on those who live and work in far-off inland stations, where assistance to be of value must be prompt. On the other hand the majority of English missionaries will readily admit that no valid ground of complaint can be urged against the decision of the British Minister.

In reality often enough, comparatively little effective assistance can be secured from the average mandarin, by a personal appeal at the local viceroy by the missionary concerned, especially when it is understood that he will promise to examine into the matter, and, when the missionary has gone, though he has given his promise, allow things to take their own course. Probably, should he be sincere enough to initiate an inquiry, he is so much at the mercy of his undertakings, who are always open to bribery, that the real condition of affairs is never brought to his notice; he therefore thinks that the facts have been misrepresented by the party who brought the complaint, and so comes to the conclusion that, should a second appeal be made, he will not in any way take notice of it. The course decided upon by the British Minister will, by most missionaries, be considered a very wise one. The Chinese Christians themselves will not be so ready to make much of little. When it is known that the Consul must himself examine into a case of persecution, according to the Chinese officials, native Christians will hesitate before calling in the assistance of the Consul to settle what in many cases may be little more than a family quarrel. Indeed it has been felt for some time by many missionaries, that complete non-interference in such cases is the best policy, and though at times painful to all parties, will, in the long run, be more effective in promoting the work which they have at heart.—Communicated.

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Major H. J. Kestel (Military) and Mr. D. B. Murray (Golf) have been appointed members of the Wong-ni-chong recreation committee.

The Junior Non-Commissioned Officers the Royal Engineers held their usual fortnightly dance at the R. E. Theatre, Wellington Barracks, last night. The attendance was large and dancing was carried on from shortly after 8 o'clock until about 2 a.m. Corporal Rodway was Master of Ceremony, and the music was supplied by Staff-Sergeant Harris (violin) and Corporal Roberts (piano).

SHARE REPORT.

In their weekly share report, dated 8th Nov., Messrs. Vernon and Smyth state:—

Rails.—Small sales of Hongkong and Shanghai have taken place at \$820, and later at \$817½ the market closing with sellers at the latter rate. Nationals remain unchanged and without business.

Marine Insurance.—We have no business or changes to report under this heading.

Five Insurance.—Hongkong have changed hands in small lots at \$333½, and China at \$36, but stocks closing with further buyers at quotations.

Shipping.—Hongkong, Canton and Macao have been negotiated at \$27, and at time of writing shares could be placed at \$27½, and \$27½. Indo-China are still wanted at \$72, but none seem to be available at that rate. At \$73, however, sellers rule the market. Star Ferries have been placed at \$24 and Shells have improved to \$14, at which rate a few shares have changed hands, and more are wanted. China and Manila and Douglas remain weak and without business.

Refineries.—China Sugars have been negotiated during the week at \$140, but at time of closing a small demand exists at \$142, while sellers still at \$145. Luzons remain without business and with a few shares on offer at \$22.

Mining.—Rails continue to rule weak, sellers at \$9 meeting with no response.

Docks, Wharves and Godowns.—Hongkong and Wharves Docks have changed hands during the week at \$131, and close quiet at that rate. Kowloon Wharves continue weak with sellers at \$90 and no business to report. Shanghai Docks have ruled firmer during the week and sales have been effected both locally and to Shanghai at Tls. 203 and 104, the market closing with a small buying rate from Shanghai at Tls. 105. We have nothing else to report under this heading.

Land, Hotels, and Buildings.—Hongkong Land continue weak with sellers at \$104, and at time of writing we have to report sales at \$103. Hongkong have found further buyers at \$112, and close steady at that rate. Other stocks under this heading have been neglected and we have no business to report.

Cotton Mills.—Ewe have declined to Tls. 72½ in Shanghai, and Lou Kung Mow have improved to Tls. 85. We have no local business to report under this heading.

Accumulations.—Dairy Farms have been placed at the improved rate of \$118, and close with further buyers. Green Islands have found further buyers at \$19 and close steady at that rate. Tramways have been placed at \$215, and Wilson at \$124, the market for both closing quiet. We have nothing else to report under this heading.

A BEGGARS FEAST.

Strange Scene in a Japanese Forest.

We learn from the Japan Times that on Oct. 22 the secluded Government forest at Higashi-Hojubans, Higashi-Katsushika District, Chiba Prefecture, Japan presented an unusually gay and joyous scene. A feast was held by a leader of beggars under the appellation, Fudo-no-Yasu, in honour of the birth of a baby by his comely wife, whom he married some twenty months ago. A pavilion, 40 yards square, was pitched and a number of wicker trunks and boxes were arranged in rows as if they were tables. Unluckily, the day was rainy, but more than a hundred guests—all of the same profession as the host—in their best habiliments, arrived from near and distant places. Towards twilight the function was opened with a address by Fudo-no-Yasu, who thanked the assembly for their presence and distributed among them twenty yen as a present. The guests were then treated to a princely collation with liberal quantities of sake. A few hundred candles were on hand, and the guests, singing and playing on samisen, enjoyed themselves throughout the night, and it was not until the next morning that the assembly dispersed. This rare feast attracted a crowd of curious people from the neighbouring villages, and their whistles and laughter added a great deal to the merriment of the night.

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